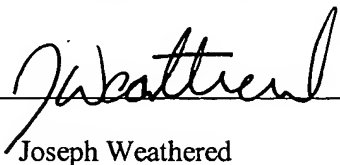




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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Applicant respectfully requests a three-month extension of time for filing a response to the Office Action mailed September 12, 2003, for which a three-month response period ending December 12, 2003 was set. The extended deadline is March 12, 2004.

A check in the amount of Four-Hundred-and-Seventy-Five Dollars (\$475.00) is enclosed herewith in payment of the fee for a three-month extension for a small entity. A small entity verification form has been previously filed in the application.

An Amendment is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due in connection with this communication, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 04-0838. A copy of this Request is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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